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2. (Twice Amended) The optical modulation [device] apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising:

a polarizer bonded to said transparent plate.

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3. (Twice Amended) The optical modulation [device] apparatus according to Claim 1,

said transparent plate having a surface and the surface of said transparent plate being coated with a surface active agent, or treated for electrostatic protection.

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4. (Three Times Amended) A projector comprising:

a light source;

an optical modulation [element] device that modulates a light flux emitted from the light source according to image information;

a projection unit that magnifies and projects the light flux modulated by said optical modulation [element] device; and

a transparent plate formed on a light emitting surface of said optical modulation [element] device.

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11. (Three Times Amended) The projector according to Claim 4, further comprising a mounting member and a color synthesizing prism, said optical modulation [element] device being mounted via the mounting member on the color synthesizing prism, said mounting member comprising:

a mounting frame plate composed of a first frame member and a second frame member that sandwich said optical modulation [element] device

a fixed frame plate in a fixed contact with a light incident surface of said color synthesizing prism; and

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an intermediate frame plate sandwiched between said mounting frame plate  
and said fixed frame plate.

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14. (Three Times Amended) A projector comprising:

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a light source;

[an] a plurality of optical modulation [element] devices that [modulates]  
modulate a light flux emitted from the light source according to image information;

a prism that synthesizes the light flux modulated by said plurality of optical  
modulation devices;

a projection unit that magnifies and projects the light flux [modulated]  
synthesized by said [optical modulation element] prism; and

a partition that surrounds said plurality of optical modulation [element]  
devices and said prism via an air layer and thereby separates said plurality of optical  
modulation [element] devices and said prism from said light source and said projection unit,  
said partition having a transparent plate fitted in a light incident window  
corresponding to a light incident surface of [said] at least one optical modulation [element]  
device, and a light outgoing window that emits the light flux modulated by said at least one  
optical modulation [element] device therefrom.

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18. (Amended) A projector comprising:

a light source;

an optical modulation [element] device that modulates a light flux emitted  
from the light source according to image information;

a transparent plate formed on a light emitting surface of said optical  
modulation [element] device;

a power supply unit;